

## Route W103

### Segment

### ALT A

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#### Commenter

Jason Bertolacci

#### Organization

International Mountain Bicycling Association

#### Submission Code

emc0912

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COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter

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emc0788

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**Organization**

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emc0835

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
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Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0631

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209

Trail Name: Pace Lake

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):  
This trail was permitted by the BLM for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club's Rock Junction event in 2013. It features a mix of challenging rock crawling with exploration, visiting historic sites, and viewing beautiful scenery.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):  
The views and the history of this area make it a great area to explore.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): This trail provides me with a feeling of remoteness while enjoying time with friends and family. This is an enjoyable trip to do with a small group of vehicles.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): This trail should remain open to full-size 4WD vehicles for the entire length of the trail. I would like to see this trail connected to W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.

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Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

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Ron Velarde	Colorado Parks and Wildlife	rmc0074
<b>Comment Recommendation: C (Admin/Permitted Use Only)</b>		
Zone W		
CPW requests that Road W103 remain open as this road section that affords vehicle access to the Manti La Sale National Forest. Closing the road section would lock out hunters and others from the National Forest.		
CPW supports an Administrative Only Road designation that is limited to the type of permitted use; administrative use would then be controlled by the BLM permitting system and regulated permittees. CPW believes that Administrative Road should be used for BLM management and should be fairly narrowly defined as such.		

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Jerry Smith	N/A	emc0773
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
The Pace Lake Road/Trail		
(On the northwest corner of Sinbad Valley)		
Area W, W217; W103; W17; W18; W19; W209;		
1. History:		
a. The Pace Lake Road/Trail is a very rare, difficult, and primitive road/trail. Depending on where you measure from, it's length can be nearly 10-miles one-way.		
B. The history, geology, wildlife, and scenic vistas provided by the Sinbad Valley/ Sewemup Mesa area make this road/trail very special to the 4-wheeling community.		
C. After several years of closure by Mother Nature Grand Mesa Jeep Club member Jerry Smith reopened this road/trail in the fall of 2008. Every year since then, he (and occasionally others) have reopened and performed the required maintenance to keep this primitive road/trail accessible and sustainable by those adventurous enough to try it.		
D. Normally, every two years requires several hours of brush trimming to keep the Gambel Oak and Mountain Ash from encroaching into the road. Every year there are new rocks and trees to remove from the road to keep it passible. Often, one or more washes require work to keep them open and safely passable.		
E. Historically, the first trip into Pace Lake each spring requires removal of large rocks, fallen trees, and brush trimming from the roadway surface. Much of the fallen rock and brush trimmings end up as new barriers/ diversions for erosion done from spring run-off. The run-off through the "burned area" can be substantial depending on the snowpack and spring weather circumstances.		
F. The Pace Lake road/trail has had a special use permit for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club annual "Rock Junction" event which has already been applied for in 2013 as well.		
G. Much of the Pace Lake road/trail is a Mesa County "vested interest" county road.		
H. The Grand Mesa Jeep Club may consider applying for "Adopt-A-Road" status for the Pace Lake road/trail.		
2. Expected Experience(s):		
a. The Pace Lake road/trail has many qualities that make it unique and highly desirable to the 4x4 public:		
i. The scenic vistas, both near and far, are spectacular.		
li. The "Primitive" condition of the road/trail provides users a considerable challenge to both driver skills and vehicle capability.		
lii. The area geology is very interesting and unique.		





1. The salinity of Salt Creek
2. The collapse of the salt dome on the valley floor
3. Copper mining (the Copper Rivet mine)
4. How the elevation changes the geology
- iv. Area history including:
  1. The McCarty Gang and cattle rustling
  2. Sewemup Mesa

The Pace family ranch(es)

- i. Wildlife
3. Chances of seeing elk, deer, or black bear are very good.
3. We ask that the BLM seriously consider the follow change to the 2013 RMP regarding the Pace

Lake road/trail.

- A. With the cooperation of the Manti La Sal National Forest, a long "Loop Route" could be established.
- i. By connecting the Pace Lake road/trail with an existing route at the southern boundary of the Sky Mesa Ranch (at the southeast corner of the National Forest) that eventually connects with the John Brown road, we would have an estimated 30-mile loop road. We of the Jeeping community ask the BLM to consider changing the 2013 BLM RMP for managing the Pace Lake Road/Trail as an "Open" "Primitive" road/trail, allowing full-size 4-wheel drive, ATV, and Motorcycle uses to be the "Primary" recreational uses under the designation of SRMA.

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Barbara Hawke	N/A		emc0899		
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Trail Name: Dolores River Valley Overlooks

Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): Several trails that lead to overlooks of the Dolores River Valley and surrounding areas.

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):

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**Commenter**

Craig Moores

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0169

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**Commenter**

Dale Znamenacek

**Organization**

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

**Submission Code**

emc0728

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89

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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
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## W119

<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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<b>Commenter</b> Dale Znamenacek	<b>Organization</b> Grand Mesa Jeep Club	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0728
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Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
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**W120**

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Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
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**W122**

<b>Commenter</b> Dale Znamenacek	<b>Organization</b> Grand Mesa Jeep Club	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0728
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Janice Shepherd	The Quiet Trails Group	emc0835

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Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W125					

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**  
ZONE W





MAP W

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**W126**

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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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**Commenter**

Soren Jespersen

**Organization**

The Wilderness Society

**Submission Code**

emc0917

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

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## Route W127

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**Commenter**

Jason Bertolacci

**Organization**

International Mountain Bicycling Association

**Submission Code**

emc0912

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Mountain bicyclist would greatly benefit by the allowance of future development west of the Gateway Canyon's resort to include trails downstream on the Dolores River paralleling the road, upstream on West Creek to join the Picket Trail and upstream across the Dolores river and up on the near bench. The trail system currently has fewer miles than most areas that are attractive to mountain bike users.

The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.

**Zone U**

- Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.
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**Zone V**

- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V2691 and 1939 Pickett trail. Mountain bicyclists have been maintaining and using this trail for at least two decades. Due to the terrain, motorized use is NOT RECOMMENDED as it will require excessive costs and labor to maintain trail to safe standards.
- FOREST SERVICE: Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on Lower Ute/Birch Creek trail (no number on map) due to the encouragement of local Forest Service District for mountain bike use to occur on upper portion of trail that crosses Forest Lands. Maintenance and use by mountain bikes has been occurring on this trail for the last 2 decades. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY





discouraged.

- Recommend non--motorized travel be allowed on V592. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This trail provides for a "quiet experience" in the midst of a predominantly motorized area.
- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V1007 and V1067 the portion of trail following Blue Creek above the ranch to make a loop. V1007 is an amazing mountain bike ride with incredible trees growing out of the canyon and the tops ending right near the trail. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V803 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. This trail would allow non--motorized access to the Divide Road which is connection to ther highly desirable mountain bike opportunities. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on the complete length of V930 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. There is also a need to add existing trail (has been submitted previously) into inventory extending from the end of V930 at Forest Boundary north to allow access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience.
- Formal trail designation for any use is not recommended for trail following Blue Creek from the Blue Creek ranch downstream to the Dolores river due to trail access at private property, damage to cultural resources and high cost of trail maintenance.
- Recommend V2810 and V2811 remain open to non--motorized us. The remote nature, solitude provided and interesting band of smooth rock offers a unique and important mountain bike experience.
- Also allowing use of V2820 and uninventoried route (previously submitted) following the midlevel of cliff band would make a VERY desirable loop with V2810 and V2811. This loop would require a 60 foot section of difficult trail which is not horse or motorized use friendly. There is mining and homestead remains along the trail that would be of great historic interest.
- Recommend non--motorized use on trail connecting Maverick Canyon and V2626.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V822 (from Blue Creek ranch), V1421, V1107, V1109 and trail connecting to county road above Mesa Creek. This would allow a good loop opportunity using V1007 and V1067 to return to Blue Creek ranch. The entire length of V822 could be added to this area for a shorter loop option.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V1151. Although a dead end, it would provide a great easier beginner/kid ride option especially attractive here due to several popular camping spots in the near vicinity. The water availability for pets and the "all downhill" return would be very attractive for a family ride or a shorter evening ride from camp.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V3062 extending down Maverick Canyon. Although a dead end, it provides a spectacular view and would be a good mellow family ride due to the lack of elevation change, solitude and quiet use of the trail. With a short hike, a glimpse of Juanita Arch adds to the experience.
- We would really like to see V567 administrative road and then remaining V567 trail into Calamity Canyon open to non--motorized use as depicted in Alternative D. It is an old road down the hill and then follows the drainage to the private property boundary. There is then an uninventoried trail leading up the slope to the east then connecting with road V923 then V922 on a higher bench. This area is perfect to find solitude and ride a single track trail. Zone W
- Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non--motorized use as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only non--motorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to the experience of these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.
- The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.
- Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non--motorized use for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.



**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

**Commenter**

Kris Cox

**Organization**

COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter

**Submission Code**

emc0788

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Zone W

1) Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only nonmotorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.

2) The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.

3) Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

**Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W131****Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W134****Commenter**

Thomas Hundtroft

**Organization**

Bookcliff Rattlers

**Submission Code**

emc0693



**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W

MAP W

LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS

W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184  
W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151  
W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216

**Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W137****Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

**Commenter**

Dale Znamenacek

**Organization**

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

**Submission Code**

emc0631

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209

Trail Name: Pace Lake

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):

This trail was permitted by the BLM for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club's Rock Junction event in 2013. It features a mix of challenging rock crawling with exploration, visiting historic sites, and viewing beautiful scenery.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):

The views and the history of this area make it a great area to explore.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): This trail provides me with a feeling of remoteness while enjoying time with friends and family. This is an enjoyable trip to do with a small group of vehicles.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): This trail should remain open to full-size 4WD vehicles for the entire length of the trail. I would like to see this trail connected to



W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Pace Lake W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209, Eventually tie W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.		

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Chuck Burns	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	rmc0024
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Refers to Pace Lake		

We enjoy exploring Colorado back country we especially enjoy trails that are challenging. We birdwatch, take photos, and camp on our trips.

Great scenic drive getting to trail. The trail is narrow with challenging off camber sections. There are also large rock gardens that are challenging to negotiate.

It is great to get to such a remote area in a day trip. It is great to go up and have lunch with friends.

We would like to see W917 to W137 to make a loop back to John Brown Rd.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
ZONE W MAP W LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184 W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151 W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216		

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
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## W139

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.		

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
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## W140

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the		





general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWS) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W141					
Commenter	Organization			Submission Code	
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers			emc0693	
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
ZONE W					
MAP W					
LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS					
W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184					
W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151					
W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216					
Commenter	Organization			Submission Code	
Brandon Siegfried	N/A			cfc0073	
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
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Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W142					
Commenter	Organization			Submission Code	
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers			emc0693	
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
ZONE W					
MAP W					
LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS					
W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184					
W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151					
W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216					

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W146					
Commenter	Organization		Submission Code		
Brandon Siegfried	N/A		cfc0073		
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194,					



196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

## Route

### Segment

### ALT A

### ALT B

### ALT C

### ALT D

## W147

### Commenter

Brandon Siegfried

### Organization

N/A

### Submission Code

cfc0073

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

## Route

### Segment

### ALT A

### ALT B

### ALT C

### ALT D

## W148

### Commenter

Brandon Siegfried

### Organization

N/A

### Submission Code

cfc0073

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

## Route

### Segment

### ALT A

### ALT B

### ALT C

### ALT D

## W149

### Commenter

Brandon Siegfried

### Organization

N/A

### Submission Code

cfc0073

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

## Route

### Segment

### ALT A

### ALT B

### ALT C

### ALT D

## W151



<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.		

<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> ZONE W MAP W LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184 W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151 W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216		

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W153					
Commenter	Organization		Submission Code		
Brandon Siegfried	N/A		cfc0073		
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.					
Commenter	Organization		Submission Code		
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers		emc0693		
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
ZONE W					
MAP W					
LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS					
W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184					
W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151					
W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216					

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W157					
Commenter	Organization		Submission Code		
Brandon Siegfried	N/A		cfc0073		
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57,					



31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196, 195, 118, 119, 80, 153, 151, 76, 149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWS) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0728
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89		
Trail Name: Dolores River Valley Overlooks		
Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): Several trails that lead to overlooks of the Dolores River Valley and surrounding areas.		
Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping): This is an area my family likes to explore. Typically, my husband rides an ATV whereas I drive a UTV that is greater than 50" wide. The two machines are well-matched in speed, capabilities, and distances we can travel. I like driving the UTV because I can comfortably and safely carry my child with me. We seek out areas like this that offer plenty of trail distance and scenery to provide a full day's adventure.		
Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views): I love the views. What a scenic place to explore.		
Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): I get to get outside and enjoy the scenery with my family and take a few photographs.		
Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): Leave these routes open to fullsize 4WD. Re-designating two-track roads as ATV-width only trails does nothing to enhance the ATV experience and ignores the growing popularity of UTVs. The BLM fails to understand that ATVs and UTVs are well-matched riding partners and it is quite common to have groups of ATVs and UTVs traveling together. Two-track roads open to all motorized uses are essential to "mixed groups" such as these.		

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Soren Jespersen	The Wilderness Society	emc0917
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
October Benches - From a wildlife perspective, the October Benches area supports several important wildlife habitats, including Colton milkvetch near the county road coming off John Brown road, and elk production area and severe winter range. In addition, October Benches is adjacent to black bear fall concentration area and elk production area immediately to the west.		
☐ W 49: In addition to the aforementioned wildlife information, in a regional context there are very few opportunities for quiet, mechanized recreation on the mesa tops surrounding Gateway. Given this recreational reality and the aforementioned wildlife concerns we ask that this route be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.		
☐ W 80, W 126, W 191, W 190, W 127, W 157: Using the same logic articulated for route W49, alongside the presence of significant cultural resources in the southern portions of the Benches, we ask that these routes be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.		
Sinbad Valley - Sinbad Valley encompasses an extremely diverse assemblage of natural habitats, with CNHP PCA "very high" biodiversity rankings of B2 for the Sinbad Valley, Salt Creek and Sewemup PCAs. Several of these habitats are especially sensitive to disturbance, including the rare plant habitat based on fragile gypsiferous soils and soil crusts associated with the collapsed salt dome of the valley; and the unusual riparian habitats along Salt		





Creek. Populations of Gypsum Valley Cateye (*Cryptantha gypsophila*, G2S2) near to W221 have reportedly previously been damaged by off-road vehicle travel. In addition, Sinbad Valley supports the following significant ecological values: Dwarf sand verbena (vicinity of W221); New Mexico privet riparian vegetation community along Salt Creek; Long flower cateye; Mule Deer critical and severe winter range, winter concentration area, and migration route; , and Peregrine Falcon nesting areas. An informational kiosk with some of the above information, as well as historical information and travel restrictions should be located at the mouth of Sinbad Valley just adjacent to Highway 141. This can also be a site with specific relevance to visitors seeking information and guidance regarding a visit to Juanita Arch.

W 213, W 214: Given the aforementioned resources and concerns regarding recreational routes dead-ending into private property, we encourage BLM to 'Close & Rehab' these routes.

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**Commenter**

Janice Shepherd

**Organization**

The Quiet Trails Group

**Submission Code**

emc0835

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

We would like to see the ATV routes in Alternative B (W80, W126, W190, W191, W197, W127, W122, W178, W179, and W157 connecting all the way west back to the County Road) limited to foot, horse and mechanized travel - this is particularly important for quiet-use recreation in a regional context given that throughout the northern Dolores the dominant use along the mesas is motorized. The October Benches could provide an important opportunity for quiet, trailbased, biking, hiking, and horseback riding.

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**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W167**

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**Commenter**

Dale Znamenacek

**Organization**

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

**Submission Code**

emc0728

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89

Trail Name: Dolores River Valley Overlooks

Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): Several trails that lead to overlooks of the Dolores River Valley and surrounding areas.

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):

This is an area my family likes to explore. Typically, my husband rides an ATV whereas I drive a UTV that is greater than 50" wide. The two machines are well-matched in speed, capabilities, and distances we can travel. I like driving the UTV because I can comfortably and safely carry my child with me. We seek out areas like this that offer plenty of trail distance and scenery to provide a full day's adventure.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):

I love the views. What a scenic place to explore.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): I get to get outside and enjoy the scenery with my family and take a few photographs.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered):

Leave these routes open to fullsize 4WD. Re-designating two-track roads as ATV-width only trails does nothing to enhance the ATV experience and ignores the growing popularity of UTVs. The BLM fails to understand that ATVs and UTVs are well-matched riding partners and it is quite common to have groups of ATVs and UTVs traveling together. Two-track roads open to all motorized uses are essential to "mixed groups" such as these.

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**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W17**



<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> ZONE W MAP W LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184 W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151 W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216		
<b>Commenter</b> Janice Shepherd	<b>Organization</b> The Quiet Trails Group	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b> We support designating routes W218, W213, W214, W217, W18, W17, W103 and W105 as "Bike, Horse, Foot", again only if the other area resources are not disrupted by this use. Quiet Trails Group also supports keeping W219 "Open" as in Alternative B as it provides a good place for dispersed camping, however we would not support actions that would create developed camping in this area or lead to further trail development in the area.		
<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> Pace Lake W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209, Eventually tie W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.		
<b>Commenter</b> Barbara Hawke	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0899
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> Consequently, Sinbad Valley should be designated as an ACEC, and vehicular travel should be limited to the county roads and the route traveling out of the valley northwest, along W209, W18, W17 and perhaps W105. The remainder of routes should be closed to all but foot and horse traffic, with bike use only permitted where resource surveys justify that there exists low potential for damage to the highly erodible soils and rare plant communities.		
<b>Commenter</b> Dale Znamenacek	<b>Organization</b> Grand Mesa Jeep Club	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0631
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> Trail Number(s): W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209  Trail Name: Pace Lake  Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping): This trail was permitted by the BLM for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club's Rock Junction event in 2013. It features a mix of challenging rock crawling with exploration, visiting historic sites, and viewing beautiful scenery.  Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views): The views and the history of this area make it a great area to explore.  Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): This trail provides me with a feeling of remoteness while enjoying time with friends and family. This is an enjoyable trip to do with a small group of vehicles.  Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): This trail should remain open to full-size 4WD vehicles for the entire length of the trail. I would like to see this trail connected to W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.		



**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

The Pace Lake Road/Trail

(On the northwest corner of Sinbad Valley)

Area W, W217; W103; W17; W18; W19; W209;

**1. History:**

- a. The Pace Lake Road/Trail is a very rare, difficult, and primitive road/trail. Depending on where you measure from, it's length can be nearly 10-miles one-way.
- B. The history, geology, wildlife, and scenic vistas provided by the Sinbad Valley/ Sewemup Mesa area make this road/trail very special to the 4-wheeling community.
- C. After several years of closure by Mother Nature Grand Mesa Jeep Club member Jerry Smith reopened this road/trail in the fall of 2008. Every year since then, he (and occasionally others) have reopened and performed the required maintenance to keep this primitive road/trail accessible and sustainable by those adventurous enough to try it.
- D. Normally, every two years requires several hours of brush trimming to keep the Gambel Oak and Mountain Ash from encroaching into the road. Every year there are new rocks and trees to remove from the road to keep it passible. Often, one or more washes require work to keep them open and safely passable.
- E. Historically, the first trip into Pace Lake each spring requires removal of large rocks, fallen trees, and brush trimming from the roadway surface. Much of the fallen rock and brush trimmings end up as new barriers/ diversions for erosion done from spring run-off. The run-off through the "burned area" can be substantial depending on the snowpack and spring weather circumstances.
- F. The Pace Lake road/trail has had a special use permit for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club annual "Rock Junction" event which has already been applied for in 2013 as well.
- G. Much of the Pace Lake road/trail is a Mesa County "vested interest" county road.
- H. The Grand Mesa Jeep Club may consider applying for "Adopt-A-Road" status for the Pace Lake road/trail.

**2. Expected Experience(s):**

- a. The Pace Lake road/trail has many qualities that make it unique and highly desirable to the 4x4 public:
  - i. The scenic vistas, both near and far, are spectacular.
  - li. The "Primitive" condition of the road/trail provides users a considerable challenge to both driver skills and vehicle capability.
  - lii. The area geology is very interesting and unique.
    1. The salinity of Salt Creek
    2. The collapse of the salt dome on the valley floor
    3. Copper mining (the Copper Rivet mine)
    4. How the elevation changes the geology
  - iv. Area history including:
    1. The McCarty Gang and cattle rustling
    2. Sewemup Mesa

The Pace family ranch(es)

**i. Wildlife**

3. Chances of seeing elk, deer, or black bear are very good.
3. We ask that the BLM seriously consider the follow change to the 2013 RMP regarding the Pace

Lake road/trail.

- A. With the cooperation of the Manti La Sal National Forest, a long "Loop Route" could be established.
  - i. By connecting the Pace Lake road/trail with an existing route at the southern boundary of the Sky Mesa Ranch (at the southeast corner of the National Forest) that eventually connects with the John Brown road, we would have an estimated 30-mile loop road. We of the Jeeping community ask the BLM to consider changing



the 2013 BLM RMP for managing the Pace Lake Road/Trail as an "Open" "Primitive" road/trail, allowing full-size 4-wheel drive, ATV, and Motorcycle uses to be the "Primary" recreational uses under the designation of SRMA.

<b>Commenter</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Submission Code</b>
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

<b>Route</b>	<b>Segment</b>	<b>ALT A</b>	<b>ALT B</b>	<b>ALT C</b>	<b>ALT D</b>
<b>W174</b>					

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Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

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Craig Moores	N/A	cfc0169

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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<b>Commenter</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Submission Code</b>
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W  
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<b>Route</b>	<b>Segment</b>	<b>ALT A</b>	<b>ALT B</b>	<b>ALT C</b>	<b>ALT D</b>
<b>W176</b>					

<b>Commenter</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Submission Code</b>
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073





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**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W178****Commenter**

Janice Shepherd

**Organization**

The Quiet Trails Group

**Submission Code**

emc0835

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

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**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W179****Commenter**

Dale Znamenacek

**Organization**

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

**Submission Code**

emc0728

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89

Trail Name: Dolores River Valley Overlooks

Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): Several trails that lead to overlooks of the Dolores River Valley and surrounding areas.

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**Organization**

The Quiet Trails Group

**Submission Code**

emc0835

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**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W18**

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**Commenter**

Jerry Smith

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

emc0773

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

The Pace Lake Road/Trail

(On the northwest corner of Sinbad Valley)

Area W, W217; W103; W17; W18; W19; W209;

1. History:

- a. The Pace Lake Road/Trail is a very rare, difficult, and primitive road/trail. Depending on where you measure from, it's length can be nearly 10-miles one-way.
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- H. The Grand Mesa Jeep Club may consider applying for "Adopt-A-Road" status for the Pace Lake road/trail.

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The Pace family ranch(es)

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Lake road/trail.

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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Janice Shepherd	The Quiet Trails Group	emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Pace Lake		
W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209, Eventually tie W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.		

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Barbara Hawke	N/A	emc0899
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Consequently, Sinbad Valley should be designated as an ACEC, and vehicular travel should be limited to the county roads and the route traveling out of the valley northwest, along W209, W18, W17 and perhaps W105. The remainder of routes should be closed to all but foot and horse traffic, with bike use only permitted where		



resource surveys justify that there exists low potential for damage to the highly erodible soils and rare plant communities.

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Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

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Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0631

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209

Trail Name: Pace Lake

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Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): This trail should remain open to full-size 4WD vehicles for the entire length of the trail. I would like to see this trail connected to W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.

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**W184**

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693





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ZONE W

MAP W

LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS

W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184  
W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151  
W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216

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**Route**

**Segment**

**ALT A**

**ALT B**

**ALT C**

**ALT D**

**W19**

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**Commenter**

Jerry Smith

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

emc0773

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

The Pace Lake Road/Trail

(On the northwest corner of Sinbad Valley)

Area W, W217; W103; W17; W18; W19; W209;

1. History:

- a. The Pace Lake Road/Trail is a very rare, difficult, and primitive road/trail. Depending on where you measure from, it's length can be nearly 10-miles one-way.
- B. The history, geology, wildlife, and scenic vistas provided by the Sinbad Valley/ Sewemup Mesa area make this road/trail very special to the 4-wheeling community.
- C. After several years of closure by Mother Nature Grand Mesa Jeep Club member Jerry Smith reopened this road/trail in the fall of 2008. Every year since then, he (and occasionally others) have reopened and performed the required maintenance to keep this primitive road/trail accessible and sustainable by those adventurous enough to try it.
- D. Normally, every two years requires several hours of brush trimming to keep the Gambel Oak and Mountain Ash from encroaching into the road. Every year there are new rocks and trees to remove from the road to keep it passible. Often, one or more washes require work to keep them open and safely passable.
- E. Historically, the first trip into Pace Lake each spring requires removal of large rocks, fallen trees, and brush trimming from the roadway surface. Much of the fallen rock and brush trimmings end up as new barriers/ diversions for erosion done from spring run-off. The run-off through the "burned area" can be substantial depending on the snowpack and spring weather circumstances.
- F. The Pace Lake road/trail has had a special use permit for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club annual "Rock Junction" event which has already been applied for in 2013 as well.
- G. Much of the Pace Lake road/trail is a Mesa County "vested interest" county road.
- H. The Grand Mesa Jeep Club may consider applying for "Adopt-A-Road" status for the Pace Lake road/trail.

2. Expected Experience(s):

- a. The Pace Lake road/trail has many qualities that make it unique and highly desirable to the 4x4 public:
  - i. The scenic vistas, both near and far, are spectacular.
  - li. The "Primitive" condition of the road/trail provides users a considerable challenge to both driver skills and vehicle capability.
  - lii. The area geology is very interesting and unique.
    1. The salinity of Salt Creek
    2. The collapse of the salt dome on the valley floor
    3. Copper mining (the Copper Rivet mine)
    4. How the elevation changes the geology
  - iv. Area history including:
    1. The McCarty Gang and cattle rustling
    2. Sewemup Mesa



The Pace family ranch(es)  
i. Wildlife  
3. Chances of seeing elk, deer, or black bear are very good.  
3. We ask that the BLM seriously consider the follow change to the 2013 RMP regarding the Pace

Lake road/trail.  
A. With the cooperation of the Manti La Sal National Forest, a long "Loop Route" could be established.  
i. By connecting the Pace Lake road/trail with an existing route at the southern boundary of the Sky Mesa Ranch (at the southeast corner of the National Forest) that eventually connects with the John Brown road, we would have an estimated 30-mile loop road. We of the Jeeping community ask the BLM to consider changing the 2013 BLM RMP for managing the Pace Lake Road/Trail as an "Open" "Primitive" road/trail, allowing full-size 4-wheel drive, ATV, and Motorcycle uses to be the "Primary" recreational uses under the designation of SRMA.

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Pace Lake		
W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209, Eventually tie W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.		

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0631
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Trail Number(s): W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209		

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Commenter		Organization			Submission Code
Kris Cox		COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter			emc0788
Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)					
Zone W					
1) Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only nonmotorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.					



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Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Scott Winans	N/A	emc0868

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Jason Bertolacci	International Mountain Bicycling Association	emc0912

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Mountain bicyclist would greatly benefit by the allowance of future development west of the Gateway Canyon's resort to include trails downstream on the Dolores River paralleling the road, upstream on West Creek to join the Picket Trail and upstream across the Dolores river and up on the near bench. The trail system currently has fewer miles than most areas that are attractive to mountain bike users.

The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.

**Zone U**

- Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.
- Recommend U27 and U28 (off Hwy 141 near The Narrows) be left open for dispersed camping opportunities due to lack of these opportunities in the area.

**Zone V**

- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V2691 and 1939 Pickett trail. Mountain bicyclists have been maintaining and using this trail for at least two decades. Due to the terrain, motorized use is NOT RECOMMENDED as it will require excessive costs and labor to maintain trail to safe standards.
- FOREST SERVICE: Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on Lower Ute/Birch Creek trail (no number on map) due to the encouragement of local Forest Service District for mountain bike use to occur on upper portion of trail that crosses Forest Lands. Maintenance and use by mountain bikes has been occurring on this trail for the last 2 decades. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY



discouraged.

- Recommend non--motorized travel be allowed on V592. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This trail provides for a "quiet experience" in the midst of a predominantly motorized area.
- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V1007 and V1067 the portion of trail following Blue Creek above the ranch to make a loop. V1007 is an amazing mountain bike ride with incredible trees growing out of the canyon and the tops ending right near the trail. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V803 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. This trail would allow non--motorized access to the Divide Road which is connection to ther highly desirable mountain bike opportunities. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on the complete length of V930 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. There is also a need to add existing trail (has been submitted previously) into inventory extending from the end of V930 at Forest Boundary north to allow access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience.
- Formal trail designation for any use is not recommended for trail following Blue Creek from the Blue Creek ranch downstream to the Dolores river due to trail access at private property, damage to cultural resources and high cost of trail maintenance.
- Recommend V2810 and V2811 remain open to non--motorized us. The remote nature, solitude provided and interesting band of smooth rock offers a unique and important mountain bike experience.
- Also allowing use of V2820 and uninventoried route (previously submitted) following the midlevel of cliff band would make a VERY desirable loop with V2810 and V2811. This loop would require a 60 foot section of difficult trail which is not horse or motorized use friendly. There is mining and homestead remains along the trail that would be of great historic interest.
- Recommend non--motorized use on trail connecting Maverick Canyon and V2626.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V822 (from Blue Creek ranch), V1421, V1107, V1109 and trail connecting to county road above Mesa Creek. This would allow a good loop opportunity using V1007 and V1067 to return to Blue Creek ranch. The entire length of V822 could be added to this area for a shorter loop option.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V1151. Although a dead end, it would provide a great easier beginner/kid ride option especially attractive here due to several popular camping spots in the near vicinity. The water availability for pets and the "all downhill" return would be very attractive for a family ride or a shorter evening ride from camp.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V3062 extending down Maverick Canyon. Although a dead end, it provides a spectacular view and would be a good mellow family ride due to the lack of elevation change, solitude and quiet use of the trail. With a short hike, a glimpse of Juanita Arch adds to the experience.
- We would really like to see V567 administrative road and then remaining V567 trail into Calamity Canyon open to non--motorized use as depicted in Alternative D. It is an old road down the hill and then follows the drainage to the private property boundary. There is then an uninventoried trail leading up the slope to the east then connecting with road V923 then V922 on a higher bench. This area is perfect to find solitude and ride a single track trail. Zone W
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**Commenter**

Soren Jespersen

**Organization**

The Wilderness Society

**Submission Code**

emc0917

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

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<b>Commenter</b> Janice Shepherd	<b>Organization</b> The Quiet Trails Group	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0835
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## W191

<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Craig Moores	N/A	cfc0169



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The following is a partial list of roads, that should remain open and usable, that are listed for closure or restriction in the proposed RMP Alternative B, C and or D.

U13, U14, U11, U699, U345, U701, U317, U701, U317, U680, U681, U682 U15, U17, U23, U20, U18, U666, U723, U725, U712, W221, W2, W225, W222, W218, W60, W27, W57, W51, W33, W53, W176. W174, W118, W125, W126, W120, W192, W194, W195, W198, Q121, Q338, Q448, Q450, Q479, Q256, Q673, Q529, Q517, Q528, Q535, Q537, Q539, Q115, Q623, Q771, Q737, Q763, Q835

**Commenter**

Dale Znamenacek

**Organization**

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

**Submission Code**

emc0728

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**Route**

**Segment**

**ALT A**

**ALT B**

**ALT C**

**ALT D**

**W194**

**Commenter**

Jason Bertolacci

**Organization**

International Mountain Bicycling Association

**Submission Code**

emc0912

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

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**Commenter**

Kris Cox

**Organization**

COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter

**Submission Code**

emc0788

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

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**Commenter**

Dale Znamenacek

**Organization**

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

**Submission Code**

emc0728

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89

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This is an area my family likes to explore. Typically, my husband rides an ATV whereas I drive a UTV that is greater than 50" wide. The two machines are well-matched in speed, capabilities, and distances we can travel. I like driving the UTV because I can comfortably and safely carry my child with me. We seek out areas like this that offer plenty of trail distance and scenery to provide a full day's adventure.

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
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Scott Winans	N/A	emc0868
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Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W195					
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0728

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89

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W196					

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Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cf0073

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<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
ZONE W		
MAP W		
LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS		
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Route

Segment

ALT A

ALT B

ALT C

ALT D

W197

<b>Commenter</b> Dale Znamenacek	<b>Organization</b> Grand Mesa Jeep Club	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0728
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89		
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<b>Commenter</b> Janice Shepherd	<b>Organization</b> The Quiet Trails Group	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
We would like to see the ATV routes in Alternative B (W80, W126, W190, W191, W197, W127, W122, W178, W179, and W157 connecting all the way west back to the County Road) limited to foot, horse and mechanized travel - this is particularly important for quiet-use recreation in a regional context given that throughout the northern Dolores the dominant use along the mesas is motorized. The October Benches could provide an important opportunity for quiet, trailbased, biking, hiking, and horseback riding.		

Route

Segment

ALT A

ALT B

ALT C

ALT D

W198



<b>Commenter</b> Dale Znamenacek	<b>Organization</b> Grand Mesa Jeep Club	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0728
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**Comment Recommendation: ☐ (Open (All modes of travel))**  
Trail Number(s): W49, W199,W198

Trail Name: John Brown Canyon Overlook

Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): A side trip off John Brown Canyon that goes out to a point overlooking John Brown Canyon

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):  
I enjoy exploring this area with my family. I enjoy photographing the scenic vistas.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):  
I like the views of John Brown Canyon and also of the Dolores River Valley that can be seen from this route. Trails like this one provide great views and great photos. Being able to take a 4WD vehicle means that the whole family can come along. I doubt I'd get much chance to photograph from places like this if my family wasn't able to come with me and enjoy the trip.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness):  
This trail lets me take the family out exploring and we all enjoy the scenic vistas.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered):  
Leave these routes open to full-width motorized vehicles so families like mine can enjoy the views.

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<b>Commenter</b> Craig Moores	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0169
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<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
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<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

Route

W199

Segment

ALT A

ALT B

ALT C

ALT D

Commenter

Dale Znamenacek

Organization

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code

emc0728

Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

Trail Number(s): W49, W199,W198

Trail Name: John Brown Canyon Overlook

Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): A side trip off John Brown Canyon that goes out to a point overlooking John Brown Canyon

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):  
I enjoy exploring this area with my family. I enjoy photographing the scenic vistas.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):  
I like the views of John Brown Canyon and also of the Dolores River Valley that can be seen from this route. Trails like this one provide great views and great photos. Being able to take a 4WD vehicle means that the whole family can come along. I doubt I'd get much chance to photograph from places like this if my family wasn't able to come with me and enjoy the trip.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness):  
This trail lets me take the family out exploring and we all enjoy the scenic vistas.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered):  
Leave these routes open to full-width motorized vehicles so families like mine can enjoy the views.

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W2					
Commenter	Organization		Submission Code		
Jan Potterveld	Back Country Horsemen of Colorado		emc0634		
Comment Recommendation: H (Foot/Horse)					
Area or trail name: Sinbad Valley and Sewemup Mesa, Zone W					
Describe the area and your historical use/knowledge of the area.					
Sewemup Mesa is an existing WSA and should continue under that designation because of remoteness, isolation and solitude it provides. Access is difficult at best and suitable only for hikers and very experienced horse persons. Sinbad Valley is important for historical and geologic reasons, being a salt anticline and home to the McCarty brothers cabins. I have ridden horseback in the southeast corner of this area, enjoying the beautiful scenery and solitude. The remainder of Zone W covers the mesas to the north up to John Brown Rd.					
Why is the area important from your perspective?					
While much of the center of Sinbad Valley is private ranch land, the edges provide excellent hiking and horseback riding trails with some access to Sewemup Mesa. There is Country Road access via 7.2 road with public access granted over some private sections. This valley is also the Colorado access route to the Manti-La Sal National Forest. Trails extend into this Forest. Rare Fauna and Flora are to be found along the slopes. Because of all the public land and access issues, it is probably not appropriate to designate this as an LWC but we ought to manage it with those principals in mind. Indeed – given the rare plants noted above, the cultural resources and of course the scenic view-shed of the cliff. The Sinbad Valley area should be managed as an Area of Critical					



Environmental Concern as outlined in Alternative C.

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How would you like to see this area managed by BLM and why?

With regard to travel, I would like to see this area managed for multiple use with the exception of the Sewemup Mesa. The McCarty Cabins should be preserved as a historical landmark. Alternative B provides a very workable mixture of trails and routes for all users. Route W22 is one of my favorites and it leads into the Manti-La Sal NF. Route W2 is marked to be closed. I would like to see W2 stay open for horse and hikers as route over the first ridge below the steep rise up to Sewemup Mesa

. Additional Comments:

Route W22 starts out as a route suitable for all users, but then as it progresses into the National forest its suitability narrows to bikers, and then to only hikers and horses, and finally only to hikers able to scale the walls and cliffs. All the depicted routes in Alt. B should be maintained for connectivity into the NFS and into the UTAH trail system providing access to the trail system on the mesas to the north. Also, none of the Alternatives show any trails from the Hwy 141 side up onto Sewemup Mesa. These exist and should be part of the inventory for Horse and Hiking.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Craig Moores	N/A	cfc0169
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Bruce Bufkin	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	rmc0025
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Description: Step rocky accesses the southwest end of Sweemup Mesa. The only way to access to the top of the mesa. There is no water on the way up or on the top.		
Historical Use: I've Used these trails to access Sewemup Mesa for hunting.		
Why you like it: Without being able to 4 wheel to the top of W2, you cannot pack enough water to explore the top of the mesa.		
The top of Sewemup Mesa is very remote. Wildlife waters from the creek of the south end of the mesa. Extremely steep sides make for fantastic views.		
Without these trails the Sewemup Mesa Wilderness will esentially be unused.		



<b>Commenter</b> Janice Shepherd	<b>Organization</b> The Quiet Trails Group	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: H (Foot/Horse)</b> We would also support keeping W49 open to foot, horse and bike travel but closed to motorized use. Once W49 narrows, it should then be limited to foot and horse travel. We also have questions about the W2 closure- if there are not significant reasons for this closure, we would prefer to see it remain available to foot and horse travel.		

<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> ZONE W MAP W LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184 W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151 W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216		

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## W205

<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.		

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## W209

<b>Commenter</b> Dale Znamenacek	<b>Organization</b> Grand Mesa Jeep Club	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0631
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b> Trail Number(s): W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209  Trail Name: Pace Lake  Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping): This trail was permitted by the BLM for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club's Rock Junction event in 2013. It		



features a mix of challenging rock crawling with exploration, visiting historic sites, and viewing beautiful scenery.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):  
The views and the history of this area make it a great area to explore.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): This trail provides me with a feeling of remoteness while enjoying time with friends and family. This is an enjoyable trip to do with a small group of vehicles.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): This trail should remain open to full-size 4WD vehicles for the entire length of the trail. I would like to see this trail connected to W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Barbara Hawke	N/A	emc0899
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
Consequently, Sinbad Valley should be designated as an ACEC, and vehicular travel should be limited to the county roads and the route traveling out of the valley northwest, along W209, W18, W17 and perhaps W105. The remainder of routes should be closed to all but foot and horse traffic, with bike use only permitted where resource surveys justify that there exists low potential for damage to the highly erodible soils and rare plant communities.		

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Jerry Smith	N/A	emc0773
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
The Pace Lake Road/Trail		
(On the northwest corner of Sinbad Valley)		
Area W, W217; W103; W17; W18; W19; W209;		
1. History:		
a. The Pace Lake Road/Trail is a very rare, difficult, and primitive road/trail. Depending on where you measure from, it's length can be nearly 10-miles one-way.		
B. The history, geology, wildlife, and scenic vistas provided by the Sinbad Valley/ Sewemup Mesa area make this road/trail very special to the 4-wheeling community.		
C. After several years of closure by Mother Nature Grand Mesa Jeep Club member Jerry Smith reopened this road/trail in the fall of 2008. Every year since then, he (and occasionally others) have reopened and performed the required maintenance to keep this primitive road/trail accessible and sustainable by those adventurous enough to try it.		
D. Normally, every two years requires several hours of brush trimming to keep the Gambel Oak and Mountain Ash from encroaching into the road. Every year there are new rocks and trees to remove from the road to keep it passible. Often, one or more washes require work to keep them open and safely passable.		
E. Historically, the first trip into Pace Lake each spring requires removal of large rocks, fallen trees, and brush		





trimming from the roadway surface. Much of the fallen rock and brush trimmings end up as new barriers/ diversions for erosion done from spring run-off. The run-off through the "burned area" can be substantial depending on the snowpack and spring weather circumstances.

F. The Pace Lake road/trail has had a special use permit for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club annual "Rock Junction" event which has already been applied for in 2013 as well.

G. Much of the Pace Lake road/trail is a Mesa County "vested interest" county road.

H. The Grand Mesa Jeep Club may consider applying for "Adopt-A-Road" status for the Pace Lake road/trail.

## 2. Expected Experience(s):

a. The Pace Lake road/trail has many qualities that make it unique and highly desirable to the 4x4 public:

i. The scenic vistas, both near and far, are spectacular.

li. The "Primitive" condition of the road/trail provides users a considerable challenge to both driver skills and vehicle capability.

lii. The area geology is very interesting and unique.

1. The salinity of Salt Creek

2. The collapse of the salt dome on the valley floor

3. Copper mining (the Copper Rivet mine)

4. How the elevation changes the geology

iv. Area history including:

1. The McCarty Gang and cattle rustling

2. Sewemup Mesa

The Pace family ranch(es)

i. Wildlife

3. Chances of seeing elk, deer, or black bear are very good.

3. We ask that the BLM seriously consider the follow change to the 2013 RMP regarding the Pace

Lake road/trail.

A. With the cooperation of the Manti La Sal National Forest, a long "Loop Route" could be established.

i. By connecting the Pace Lake road/trail with an existing route at the southern boundary of the Sky Mesa Ranch (at the southeast corner of the National Forest) that eventually connects with the John Brown road, we would have an estimated 30-mile loop road. We of the Jeeping community ask the BLM to consider changing the 2013 BLM RMP for managing the Pace Lake Road/Trail as an "Open" "Primitive" road/trail, allowing full-size 4-wheel drive, ATV, and Motorcycle uses to be the "Primary" recreational uses under the designation of SRMA.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

Pace Lake

W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209, Eventually tie W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W212					



Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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Route

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ALT A

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ALT D

W213

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Jason Bertolacci	International Mountain Bicycling Association	emc0912

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Mountain bicyclist would greatly benefit by the allowance of future development west of the Gateway Canyon’s resort to include trails downstream on the Dolores River paralleling the road, upstream on West Creek to join the Picket Trail and upstream across the Dolores river and up on the near bench. The trail system currently has fewer miles than most areas that are attractive to mountain bike users.

The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.

Zone U

- Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.
- Recommend U27 and U28 (off Hwy 141 near The Narrows) be left open for dispersed camping opportunities due to lack of these opportunities in the area.

Zone V

- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V2691 and 1939 Pickett trail. Mountain bicyclists have been maintaining and using this trail for at least two decades. Due to the terrain, motorized use is NOT RECOMMENDED as it will require excessive costs and labor to maintain trail to safe standards.
- FOREST SERVICE: Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on Lower Ute/Birch Creek trail (no number on map) due to the encouragement of local Forest Service District for mountain bike use to occur on upper portion of trail that crosses Forest Lands. Maintenance and use by mountain bikes has been occurring on this trail for the last 2 decades. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized travel be allowed on V592. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This trail provides for a "quiet experience" in the midst of a predominantly motorized area.
- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V1007 and V1067 the portion of trail following Blue Creek above the ranch to make a loop. V1007 is an amazing mountain bike ride with incredible trees growing out of the canyon and the tops ending right near the trail. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V803 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. This trail would allow non--motorized access to the Divide Road which is connection to ther highly desirable mountain bike opportunities. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is



HIGHLY discouraged.

- Recommend non--motorized use on the complete length of V930 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. There is also a need to add existing trail (has been submitted previously) into inventory extending from the end of V930 at Forest Boundary north to allow access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience.
- Formal trail designation for any use is not recommended for trail following Blue Creek from the Blue Creek ranch downstream to the Dolores river due to trail access at private property, damage to cultural resources and high cost of trail maintenance.
- Recommend V2810 and V2811 remain open to non--motorized us. The remote nature, solitude provided and interesting band of smooth rock offers a unique and important mountain bike experience.
- Also allowing use of V2820 and uninventoried route (previously submitted) following the midlevel of cliff band would make a VERY desirable loop with V2810 and V2811. This loop would require a 60 foot section of difficult trail which is not horse or motorized use friendly. There is mining and homestead remains along the trail that would be of great historic interest.
- Recommend non--motorized use on trail connecting Maverick Canyon and V2626.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V822 (from Blue Creek ranch), V1421, V1107, V1109 and trail connecting to county road above Mesa Creek. This would allow a good loop opportunity using V1007 and V1067 to return to Blue Creek ranch. The entire length of V822 could be added to this area for a shorter loop option.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V1151. Although a dead end, it would provide a great easier beginner/kid ride option especially attractive here due to several popular camping spots in the near vicinity. The water availability for pets and the "all downhill" return would be very attractive for a family ride or a shorter evening ride from camp.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V3062 extending down Maverick Canyon. Although a dead end, it provides a spectacular view and would be a good mellow family ride due to the lack of elevation change, solitude and quiet use of the trail. With a short hike, a glimpse of Juanita Arch adds to the experience.
- We would really like to see V567 administrative road and then remaining V567 trail into Calamity Canyon open to non--motorized use as depicted in Alternative D. It is an old road down the hill and then follows the drainage to the private property boundary. There is then an uninventoried trail leading up the slope to the east then connecting with road V923 then V922 on a higher bench. This area is perfect to find solitude and ride a single track trail. Zone W
- Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non--motorized use as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only non--motorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to the experience of these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.
- The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.
- Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non--motorized use for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Janice Shepherd	The Quiet Trails Group	emc0835



**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

We support designating routes W218, W213, W214, W217, W18, W17, W103 and W105 as "Bike, Horse, Foot", again only if the other area resources are not disrupted by this use. Quiet Trails Group also supports keeping W219 "Open" as in Alternative B as it provides a good place for dispersed camping, however we would not support actions that would create developed camping in this area or lead to further trail development in the area.

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Soren Jespersen	The Wilderness Society	emc0917

**Comment Recommendation: R (Closed)**

October Benches - From a wildlife perspective, the October Benches area supports several important wildlife habitats, including Colton milkvetch near the county road coming off John Brown road, and elk production area and severe winter range. In addition, October Benches is adjacent to black bear fall concentration area and elk production area immediately to the west.

W 49: In addition to the aforementioned wildlife information, in a regional context there are very few opportunities for quiet, mechanized recreation on the mesa tops surrounding Gateway. Given this recreational reality and the aforementioned wildlife concerns we ask that this route be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.

W 80, W 126, W 191, W 190, W 127, W 157: Using the same logic articulated for route W49, alongside the presence of significant cultural resources in the southern portions of the Benches, we ask that these routes be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Scott Winans	N/A	emc0868

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.

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Kris Cox	COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter	emc0788





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**Commenter**

Janice Shepherd

**Organization**

The Quiet Trails Group

**Submission Code**

emc0835

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

We have concerns about W218, W213, and W214 as they appear to lead directly to private land. However, if a public right of way across private land can be established or the private land avoided, and if these routes would not be in direct conflict with rare plants which are known to be located nearby, we would recommend that they remain open to mechanized, horse and foot travel only and a loop be developed to connect the western end of W213 or W214 with W218.

**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W214****Commenter**

Janice Shepherd

**Organization**

The Quiet Trails Group

**Submission Code**

emc0835

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**Commenter**

Soren Jespersen

**Organization**

The Wilderness Society

**Submission Code**

emc0917

**Comment Recommendation: R (Closed)**

October Benches - From a wildlife perspective, the October Benches area supports several important wildlife habitats, including Colton milkvetch near the county road coming off John Brown road, and elk production area and severe winter range. In addition, October Benches is adjacent to black bear fall concentration area and elk production area immediately to the west.

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Jason Bertolacci	International Mountain Bicycling Association	emc0912

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The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.

**Zone U**

- Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.
- Recommend U27 and U28 (off Hwy 141 near The Narrows) be left open for dispersed camping opportunities due to lack of these opportunities in the area.

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## Route

### W217

#### Segment

#### ALT A

#### ALT B

#### ALT C

#### ALT D

#### Commenter

Dale Znamenacek

#### Organization

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

#### Submission Code

emc0631

#### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

Trail Number(s): W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209

Trail Name: Pace Lake

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):  
This trail was permitted by the BLM for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club's Rock Junction event in 2013. It features a mix of challenging rock crawling with exploration, visiting historic sites, and viewing beautiful scenery.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):  
The views and the history of this area make it a great area to explore.





Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): This trail provides me with a feeling of remoteness while enjoying time with friends and family. This is an enjoyable trip to do with a small group of vehicles.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): This trail should remain open to full-size 4WD vehicles for the entire length of the trail. I would like to see this trail connected to W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.

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**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

emc0868

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**Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWS) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

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**Commenter**

Jerry Smith

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

emc0773

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

The Pace Lake Road/Trail

(On the northwest corner of Sinbad Valley)

Area W, W217; W103; W17; W18; W19; W209;

1. History:

a. The Pace Lake Road/Trail is a very rare, difficult, and primitive road/trail. Depending on where you measure from, it's length can be nearly 10-miles one-way.

B. The history, geology, wildlife, and scenic vistas provided by the Sinbad Valley/ Sewemup Mesa area make this road/trail very special to the 4-wheeling community.

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enough to try it.

D. Normally, every two years requires several hours of brush trimming to keep the Gambel Oak and Mountain Ash from encroaching into the road. Every year there are new rocks and trees to remove from the road to keep it passible. Often, one or more washes require work to keep them open and safely passable.

E. Historically, the first trip into Pace Lake each spring requires removal of large rocks, fallen trees, and brush trimming from the roadway surface. Much of the fallen rock and brush trimmings end up as new barriers/ diversions for erosion done from spring run-off. The run-off through the "burned area" can be substantial depending on the snowpack and spring weather circumstances.

F. The Pace Lake road/trail has had a special use permit for the Grand Mesa Jeep Club annual "Rock Junction" event which has already been applied for in 2013 as well.

G. Much of the Pace Lake road/trail is a Mesa County "vested interest" county road.

H. The Grand Mesa Jeep Club may consider applying for "Adopt-A-Road" status for the Pace Lake road/trail.

## 2. Expected Experience(s):

a. The Pace Lake road/trail has many qualities that make it unique and highly desirable to the 4x4 public:

i. The scenic vistas, both near and far, are spectacular.

ii. The "Primitive" condition of the road/trail provides users a considerable challenge to both driver skills and vehicle capability.

iii. The area geology is very interesting and unique.

1. The salinity of Salt Creek

2. The collapse of the salt dome on the valley floor

3. Copper mining (the Copper Rivet mine)

4. How the elevation changes the geology

iv. Area history including:

1. The McCarty Gang and cattle rustling

2. Sewemup Mesa

The Pace family ranch(es)

i. Wildlife

3. Chances of seeing elk, deer, or black bear are very good.

3. We ask that the BLM seriously consider the follow change to the 2013 RMP regarding the Pace

Lake road/trail.

A. With the cooperation of the Manti La Sal National Forest, a long "Loop Route" could be established.

i. By connecting the Pace Lake road/trail with an existing route at the southern boundary of the Sky Mesa Ranch (at the southeast corner of the National Forest) that eventually connects with the John Brown road, we would have an estimated 30-mile loop road. We of the Jeeping community ask the BLM to consider changing the 2013 BLM RMP for managing the Pace Lake Road/Trail as an "Open" "Primitive" road/trail, allowing full-size 4-wheel drive, ATV, and Motorcycle uses to be the "Primary" recreational uses under the designation of SRMA.

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### Commenter

Thomas Hundtroft

### Organization

Bookcliff Rattlers

### Submission Code

emc0693

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

Pace Lake

W217, W103, W17, W18, W19, W209, Eventually tie W217 to W137 to make a loop road back to John Brown Rd.

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## Route

### Segment

### ALT A

### ALT B

### ALT C

### ALT D

## W218

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### Commenter

Scott Winans

### Organization

N/A

### Submission Code

emc0868

### Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)

The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb





Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Janice Shepherd	The Quiet Trails Group	emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
We support designating routes W218, W213, W214, W217, W18, W17, W103 and W105 as "Bike, Horse, Foot", again only if the other area resources are not disrupted by this use. Quiet Trails Group also supports keeping W219 "Open" as in Alternative B as it provides a good place for dispersed camping, however we would not support actions that would create developed camping in this area or lead to further trail development in the area.		
Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Jason Bertolacci	International Mountain Bicycling Association	emc0912
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
Mountain bicyclist would greatly benefit by the allowance of future development west of the Gateway Canyon's resort to include trails downstream on the Dolores River paralleling the road, upstream on West Creek to join the Picket Trail and upstream across the Dolores river and up on the near bench. The trail system currently has fewer miles than most areas that are attractive to mountain bike users.		
<p>The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.</p> <p>Zone U</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.</li> <li>● Recommend U27 and U28 (off Hwy 141 near The Narrows) be left open for dispersed camping opportunities due to lack of these opportunities in the area.</li> </ul> <p>Zone V</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V2691 and 1939 Pickett trail. Mountain bicyclists have been maintaining and using this trail for at least two decades. Due to the terrain, motorized use is NOT RECOMMENDED as it will require excessive costs and labor to maintain trail to safe standards.</li> <li>● FOREST SERVICE: Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on Lower Ute/Birch Creek trail (no number on map) due to the encouragement of local Forest Service District for mountain bike use to occur on upper portion of trail that crosses Forest Lands. Maintenance and use by mountain bikes has been occurring on this trail for the last 2 decades. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.</li> <li>● Recommend non--motorized travel be allowed on V592. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This trail provides for a "quiet experience" in the midst of a predominantly motorized area.</li> <li>● Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V1007 and V1067 the portion of trail following Blue Creek above the ranch to make a loop. V1007 is an amazing mountain bike ride with incredible trees growing out of the canyon and the tops ending right near the trail. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.</li> <li>● Recommend non--motorized use on V803 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. This trail would allow non--motorized access to the Divide Road which is connection to ther highly desirable mountain bike opportunities. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.</li> <li>● Recommend non--motorized use on the complete length of V930 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. There is also a need to add existing trail (has been submitted previously) into inventory extending from the end of V930 at Forest Boundary north to allow access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. Due to</li> </ul>		



the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience.

- Formal trail designation for any use is not recommended for trail following Blue Creek from the Blue Creek ranch downstream to the Dolores river due to trail access at private property, damage to cultural resources and high cost of trail maintenance.
- Recommend V2810 and V2811 remain open to non--motorized us. The remote nature, solitude provided and interesting band of smooth rock offers a unique and important mountain bike experience.
- Also allowing use of V2820 and uninventoried route (previously submitted) following the midlevel of cliff band would make a VERY desirable loop with V2810 and V2811. This loop would require a 60 foot section of difficult trail which is not horse or motorized use friendly. There is mining and homestead remains along the trail that would be of great historic interest.
- Recommend non--motorized use on trail connecting Maverick Canyon and V2626.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V822 (from Blue Creek ranch), V1421, V1107, V1109 and trail connecting to county road above Mesa Creek. This would allow a good loop opportunity using V1007 and V1067 to return to Blue Creek ranch. The entire length of V822 could be added to this area for a shorter loop option.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V1151. Although a dead end, it would provide a great easier beginner/kid ride option especially attractive here due to several popular camping spots in the near vicinity. The water availability for pets and the "all downhill" return would be very attractive for a family ride or a shorter evening ride from camp.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V3062 extending down Maverick Canyon. Although a dead end, it provides a spectacular view and would be a good mellow family ride due to the lack of elevation change, solitude and quiet use of the trail. With a short hike, a glimpse of Juanita Arch adds to the experience.
- We would really like to see V567 administrative road and then remaining V567 trail into Calamity Canyon open to non--motorized use as depicted in Alternative D. It is an old road down the hill and then follows the drainage to the private property boundary. There is then an uninventoried trail leading up the slope to the east then connecting with road V923 then V922 on a higher bench. This area is perfect to find solitude and ride a single track trail. Zone W
- Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non--motorized use as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only non--motorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to the experience of these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.
- The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.
- Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non--motorized use for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Craig Moores	N/A	cfc0169

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194,



196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Kris Cox	COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter	emc0788
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
Zone W		
<p>1) Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only nonmotorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.</p> <p>2) The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.</p> <p>3) Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.</p>		

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Scott Winans	N/A	emc0868
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only nonmotorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.		

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Janice Shepherd	The Quiet Trails Group	emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
We have concerns about W218, W213, and W214 as they appear to lead directly to private land. However, if a public right of way across private land can be established or the private land avoided, and if these routes would not be in direct conflict with rare plants which are known to be located nearby, we would recommend that they remain open to mechanized, horse and foot travel only and a loop be developed to connect the western end of W213 or W214 with W218.		

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W219					
Commenter	Organization			Submission Code	
Brandon Siegfried	N/A			cfc0073	
Comment Recommendation: <input type="radio"/> (Open (All modes of travel))					
I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone W should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes W: 134, 198, 205 ,49, 47, 33, 38, 32, 57, 31, 28, 27, 60, 131, 51, 53, 176, 127, 157, 174, 125, 191, 190, 126, 120, 184, 126, 192, 194, 196,195,118,119,80,153,151,76,149, 77, 78, 112, 90, 91, 146, 137, 89, 148, 141, 139, 86, 147, 140, 83, 84, 17, 18, 218, 103, 217, 103, 105, 219, 209, 212, 225, 222, 2, 25, 22, 226. Based on Colorado Law and County Regulations, RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire					



list of Zone W routes listed above, closing these routes would be arbitrary and capricious. The BLM cannot legally close these routes to public access.

<b>Commenter</b> Janice Shepherd	<b>Organization</b> The Quiet Trails Group	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0835
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

We support designating routes W218, W213, W214, W217, W18, W17, W103 and W105 as "Bike, Horse, Foot", again only if the other area resources are not disrupted by this use. Quiet Trails Group also supports keeping W219 "Open" as in Alternative B as it provides a good place for dispersed camping, however we would not support actions that would create developed camping in this area or lead to further trail development in the area.

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
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**W22**

<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W  
MAP W  
LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS  
W60 W27 W31 W94 W28 W134 W57 W33 CAMPING SITES W38 W49 W205 W198 W51 W53 W174 W184  
W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151  
W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216

<b>Commenter</b> Jan Potterveld	<b>Organization</b> Back Country Horsemen of Colorado	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0634
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Area or trail name: Sinbad Valley and Sewemup Mesa, Zone W

Describe the area and your historical use/knowledge of the area.

Sewemup Mesa is an existing WSA and should continue under that designation because of remoteness, isolation and solitude it provides. Access is difficult at best and suitable only for hikers and very experienced horse persons. Sinbad Valley is important for historical and geologic reasons, being a salt anticline and home to the McCarty brothers cabins. I have ridden horseback in the southeast corner of this area, enjoying the beautiful scenery and solitude. The remainder of Zone W covers the mesas to the north up to John Brown Rd.

Why is the area important from your perspective?

While much of the center of Sinbad Valley is private ranch land, the edges provide excellent hiking and horseback riding trails with some access to Sewemup Mesa. There is Country Road access via 7.2 road with public access granted over some private sections. This valley is also the Colorado access route to the Manti-La Sal National Forest. Trails extend into this Forest. Rare Fauna and Flora are to be found along the slopes. Because of all the public land and access issues, it is probably not appropriate to designate this as an LWC but we ought to manage it with those principals in mind. Indeed – given the rare plants noted above, the cultural resources and of course the scenic view-shed of the cliff. The Sinbad Valley area should be managed as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern as outlined in Alternative C.

How would you like to see this area managed by BLM and why?

With regard to travel, I would like to see this area managed for multiple use with the exception of the Sewemup Mesa. The McCarty Cabins should be preserved as a historical landmark. Alternative B provides a very workable mixture of trails and routes for all users. Route W22 is one of my favorites and it leads into the Manti-La Sal NF. Route W2 is marked to be closed. I would like to see W2 stay open for horse and hikers as route over the first ridge below the steep rise up to Sewemup Mesa





. Additional Comments:

Route W22 starts out as a route suitable for all users, but then as it progresses into the National Forest its suitability narrows to bikers, and then to only hikers and horses, and finally only to hikers able to scale the walls and cliffs. All the depicted routes in Alt. B should be maintained for connectivity into the NFS and into the UTAH trail system providing access to the trail system on the mesas to the north. Also, none of the Alternatives show any trails from the Hwy 141 side up onto Sewemup Mesa. These exist and should be part of the inventory for Horse and Hiking.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
W221					

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W  
MAP W  
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W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Craig Moores	N/A	cfc0169

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Soren Jespersen	The Wilderness Society	emc0917

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

October Benches - From a wildlife perspective, the October Benches area supports several important wildlife habitats, including Colton milkvetch near the county road coming off John Brown road, and elk production area and severe winter range. In addition, October Benches is adjacent to black bear fall concentration area and elk production area immediately to the west.

W 49: In addition to the aforementioned wildlife information, in a regional context there are very few opportunities for quiet, mechanized recreation on the mesa tops surrounding Gateway. Given this recreational reality and the aforementioned wildlife concerns we ask that this route be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.



W 80, W 126, W 191, W 190, W 127, W 157: Using the same logic articulated for route W49, alongside the presence of significant cultural resources in the southern portions of the Benches, we ask that these routes be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.

Sinbad Valley - Sinbad Valley encompasses an extremely diverse assemblage of natural habitats, with CNHP PCA "very high" biodiversity rankings of B2 for the Sinbad Valley, Salt Creek and Sewemup PCAs. Several of these habitats are especially sensitive to disturbance, including the rare plant habitat based on fragile gypsiferous soils and soil crusts associated with the collapsed salt dome of the valley; and the unusual riparian habitats along Salt Creek. Populations of Gypsum Valley Cateye (*Cryptantha gypsophila*, G2S2) near to W221 have reportedly previously been damaged by off-road vehicle travel. In addition, Sinbad Valley supports the following significant ecological values: Dwarf sand verbena (vicinity of W221); New Mexico privet riparian vegetation community along Salt Creek; Long flower cateye; Mule Deer critical and severe winter range, winter concentration area, and migration route; , and Peregrine Falcon nesting areas. An informational kiosk with some of the above information, as well as historical information and travel restrictions should be located at the mouth of Sinbad Valley just adjacent to Highway 141. This can also be a site with specific relevance to visitors seeking information and guidance regarding a visit to Juanita Arch.

W 213, W 214: Given the aforementioned resources and concerns regarding recreational routes dead-ending into private property, we encourage BLM to 'Close & Rehab' these routes.

## Route W222

### Segment

### ALT A

### ALT B

### ALT C

### ALT D

#### Commenter

Brandon Siegfried

#### Organization

N/A

#### Submission Code

cfc0073

#### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

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#### Organization

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#### Submission Code

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## Route W225

### Segment

### ALT A

### ALT B

### ALT C

### ALT D

#### Commenter

Brandon Siegfried

#### Organization

N/A

#### Submission Code

cfc0073

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<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W

MAP W

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W125 W126 W80 W118 W196 W194 W119 W86 W141 W137 W142 W91 W109 W112 W77 W76 W79 W151

W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216

Route	Segment	ALT A	ALT B	ALT C	ALT D
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## W226

<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W

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<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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## W25

<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W

MAP W

LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS

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**Commenter**

Bruce Bufkin

**Organization**

Grand Mesa Jeep Club

**Submission Code**

rmc0025

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Description: Step rocky accesses the southwest end of Sweemup Mesa. The only way to access to the top of the mesa. There is no water on the way up or on the top.

Historical Use: I've Used these trails to access Sewemup Mesa for hunting.

Why you like it: Without being able to 4 wheel to the top of W2, you cannot pack enough water to explore the top of the mesa.

The top of Sewemup Mesa is very remote. Wildlife waters from the creek of the south end of the mesa. Extremely steep sides make for fantastic views.

Without these trails the Sewemup Mesa Wilderness will esentially be unused.

**Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

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**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

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**Commenter**

Craig Moores

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0169

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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## Route

Segment

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## W28

<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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## Route

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## W31

<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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## Route W32

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<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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<b>Commenter</b> Craig Moores	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0169
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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## Route W38

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

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Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

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## Route W47

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Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073

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## Route W49

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0728

### Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))

Trail Number(s): W49, W199,W198

Trail Name: John Brown Canyon Overlook



Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): A side trip off John Brown Canyon that goes out to a point overlooking John Brown Canyon

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping):  
I enjoy exploring this area with my family. I enjoy photographing the scenic vistas.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views):  
I like the views of John Brown Canyon and also of the Dolores River Valley that can be seen from this route. Trails like this one provide great views and great photos. Being able to take a 4WD vehicle means that the whole family can come along. I doubt I'd get much chance to photograph from places like this if my family wasn't able to come with me and enjoy the trip.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness):  
This trail lets me take the family out exploring and we all enjoy the scenic vistas.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered):  
Leave these routes open to full-width motorized vehicles so families like mine can enjoy the views.

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Thomas Hundtroft	Bookcliff Rattlers	emc0693
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Janice Shepherd	The Quiet Trails Group	emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
We would also support keeping W49 open to foot, horse and bike travel but closed to motorized use. Once W49 narrows, it should then be limited to foot and horse travel. We also have questions about the W2 closure- if there are not significant reasons for this closure, we would prefer to see it remain available to foot and horse travel.		

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Soren Jespersen	The Wilderness Society	emc0917
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
October Benches - From a wildlife perspective, the October Benches area supports several important wildlife habitats, including Colton milkvetch near the county road coming off John Brown road, and elk production area and severe winter range. In addition, October Benches is adjacent to black bear fall concentration area and elk production area immediately to the west.		
☐ W 49: In addition to the aforementioned wildlife information, in a regional context there are very few opportunities for quiet, mechanized recreation on the mesa tops surrounding Gateway. Given this recreational reality and the aforementioned wildlife concerns we ask that this route be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.		
☐ W 80, W 126, W 191, W 190, W 127, W 157: Using the same logic articulated for route W49, alongside the presence of significant cultural resources in the southern portions of the Benches, we ask that these routes be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.		

Sinbad Valley - Sinbad Valley encompasses an extremely diverse assemblage of natural habitats, with CNHP PCA "very high" biodiversity rankings of B2 for the Sinbad Valley, Salt Creek and Sewemup PCAs. Several of these habitats are especially sensitive to disturbance, including the rare plant habitat based on fragile gypsiferous soils





and soil crusts associated with the collapsed salt dome of the valley; and the unusual riparian habitats along Salt Creek. Populations of Gypsum Valley Cateye (*Cryptantha gypsophila*, G2S2) near to W221 have reportedly previously been damaged by off-road vehicle travel. In addition, Sinbad Valley supports the following significant ecological values: Dwarf sand verbena (vicinity of W221); New Mexico privet riparian vegetation community along Salt Creek; Long flower cateye; Mule Deer critical and severe winter range, winter concentration area, and migration route; , and Peregrine Falcon nesting areas. An informational kiosk with some of the above information, as well as historical information and travel restrictions should be located at the mouth of Sinbad Valley just adjacent to Highway 141. This can also be a site with specific relevance to visitors seeking information and guidance regarding a visit to Juanita Arch.

W 213, W 214: Given the aforementioned resources and concerns regarding recreational routes dead-ending into private property, we encourage BLM to 'Close & Rehab' these routes.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Janice Shepherd	N/A	rmc0089
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
I've hiked from Z2 4/10 Rd out on W49 and then beyond its end to the peak out on the end. There are grand views from this peak up and down the Delores canyon and over to the Palisade. Just awesome.		

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Jason Bertolacci	International Mountain Bicycling Association	emc0912
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>		
Mountain bicyclist would greatly benefit by the allowance of future development west of the Gateway Canyon's resort to include trails downstream on the Dolores River paralleling the road, upstream on West Creek to join the Picket Trail and upstream across the Dolores river and up on the near bench. The trail system currently has fewer miles than most areas that are attractive to mountain bike users.		

The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.

#### Zone U

- Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.
- Recommend U27 and U28 (off Hwy 141 near The Narrows) be left open for dispersed camping opportunities due to lack of these opportunities in the area.

#### Zone V

- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V2691 and 1939 Pickett trail. Mountain bicyclists have been maintaining and using this trail for at least two decades. Due to the terrain, motorized use is NOT RECOMMENDED as it will require excessive costs and labor to maintain trail to safe standards.
- FOREST SERVICE: Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on Lower Ute/Birch Creek trail (no number on map) due to the encouragement of local Forest Service District for mountain bike use to occur on upper portion of trail that crosses Forest Lands. Maintenance and use by mountain bikes has been occurring on this trail for the last 2 decades. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized travel be allowed on V592. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This trail provides for a "quiet experience" in the midst of a predominantly motorized area.
- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V1007 and V1067 the portion of trail following Blue Creek above the ranch to make a loop. V1007 is an amazing mountain bike ride with incredible trees growing out of the canyon and the tops ending right near the trail. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.



- Recommend non--motorized use on V803 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. This trail would allow non--motorized access to the Divide Road which is connection to ther highly desirable mountain bike opportunities. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on the complete length of V930 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. There is also a need to add existing trail (has been submitted previously) into inventory extending from the end of V930 at Forest Boundary north to allow access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience.
- Formal trail designation for any use is not recommended for trail following Blue Creek from the Blue Creek ranch downstream to the Dolores river due to trail access at private property, damage to cultural resources and high cost of trail maintenance.
- Recommend V2810 and V2811 remain open to non--motorized us. The remote nature, solitude provided and interesting band of smooth rock offers a unique and important mountain bike experience.
- Also allowing use of V2820 and uninventoried route (previously submitted) following the midlevel of cliff band would make a VERY desirable loop with V2810 and V2811. This loop would require a 60 foot section of difficult trail which is not horse or motorized use friendly. There is mining and homestead remains along the trail that would be of great historic interest.
- Recommend non--motorized use on trail connecting Maverick Canyon and V2626.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V822 (from Blue Creek ranch), V1421, V1107, V1109 and trail connecting to county road above Mesa Creek. This would allow a good loop opportunity using V1007 and V1067 to return to Blue Creek ranch. The entire length of V822 could be added to this area for a shorter loop option.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V1151. Although a dead end, it would provide a great easier beginner/kid ride option especially attractive here due to several popular camping spots in the near vicinity. The water availability for pets and the "all downhill" return would be very attractive for a family ride or a shorter evening ride from camp.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V3062 extending down Maverick Canyon. Although a dead end, it provides a spectacular view and would be a good mellow family ride due to the lack of elevation change, solitude and quiet use of the trail. With a short hike, a glimpse of Juanita Arch adds to the experience.
- We would really like to see V567 administrative road and then remaining V567 trail into Calamity Canyon open to non--motorized use as depicted in Alternative D. It is an old road down the hill and then follows the drainage to the private property boundary. There is then an uninventoried trail leading up the slope to the east then connecting with road V923 then V922 on a higher bench. This area is perfect to find solitude and ride a single track trail. Zone W
- Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non--motorized use as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only non--motorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to the experience of these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.
- The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.
- Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non--motorized use for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

**Commenter**  
Scott Winans

**Organization**  
N/A

**Submission Code**  
emc0868

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

**Commenter**  
Kris Cox

**Organization**  
COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter

**Submission Code**  
emc0788

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Zone W



1) Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only nonmotorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.

2) The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.

3) Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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<b>Commenter</b> Thomas Hundtroft	<b>Organization</b> Bookcliff Rattlers	<b>Submission Code</b> emc0693
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**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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<b>W51</b>					

<b>Commenter</b> Brandon Siegfried	<b>Organization</b> N/A	<b>Submission Code</b> cfc0073
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<b>W78</b>					

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0728

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

Trail Number(s): W179, W157, W126, W122, W127, W197, W190, W191, W80, W118, W119, W192, W194, W195, W112, W78, W89

Trail Name: Dolores River Valley Overlooks

Trail Description (challenges, viewpoints, terrain type, etc.): Several trails that lead to overlooks of the Dolores River Valley and surrounding areas.

Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping): This is an area my family likes to explore. Typically, my husband rides an ATV whereas I drive a UTV that is greater than 50" wide. The two machines are well-matched in speed, capabilities, and distances we can travel. I like driving the UTV because I can comfortably and safely carry my child with me. We seek out areas like this that offer plenty of trail distance and scenery to provide a full day's adventure.

Why you like this trail (challenges you/vehicle, close to home, wildlife, historic sites, scenic views): I love the views. What a scenic place to explore.

Benefits you receive by using this trail (exercise, socializing with friends/family, solitude, remoteness): I get to get outside and enjoy the scenery with my family and take a few photographs.

Other Comment (what is your desired outcome for this trail, additional ideas to be considered): Leave these routes open to fullsize 4WD. Re-designating two-track roads as ATV-width only trails does nothing to enhance the ATV experience and ignores the growing popularity of UTVs. The BLM fails to understand that ATVs and UTVs are well-matched riding partners and it is quite common to have groups of ATVs and UTVs traveling together. Two-track roads open to all motorized uses are essential to "mixed groups" such as these.

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Jason Bertolacci	International Mountain Bicycling Association	emc0912

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Mountain bicyclist would greatly benefit by the allowance of future development west of the Gateway Canyon's resort to include trails downstream on the Dolores River paralleling the road, upstream on West Creek to join the Picket Trail and upstream across the Dolores river and up on the near bench. The trail system currently has fewer miles than most areas that are attractive to mountain bike users.



The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.

#### Zone U

- Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.
- Recommend U27 and U28 (off Hwy 141 near The Narrows) be left open for dispersed camping opportunities due to lack of these opportunities in the area.

#### Zone V

- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V2691 and 1939 Pickett trail. Mountain bicyclists have been maintaining and using this trail for at least two decades. Due to the terrain, motorized use is NOT RECOMMENDED as it will require excessive costs and labor to maintain trail to safe standards.
- FOREST SERVICE: Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on Lower Ute/Birch Creek trail (no number on map) due to the encouragement of local Forest Service District for mountain bike use to occur on upper portion of trail that crosses Forest Lands. Maintenance and use by mountain bikes has been occurring on this trail for the last 2 decades. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized travel be allowed on V592. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This trail provides for a "quiet experience" in the midst of a predominantly motorized area.
- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V1007 and V1067 the portion of trail following Blue Creek above the ranch to make a loop. V1007 is an amazing mountain bike ride with incredible trees growing out of the canyon and the tops ending right near the trail. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V803 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. This trail would allow non--motorized access to the Divide Road which is connection to the highly desirable mountain bike opportunities. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on the complete length of V930 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. There is also a need to add existing trail (has been submitted previously) into inventory extending from the end of V930 at Forest Boundary north to allow access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience.
- Formal trail designation for any use is not recommended for trail following Blue Creek from the Blue Creek ranch downstream to the Dolores river due to trail access at private property, damage to cultural resources and high cost of trail maintenance.
- Recommend V2810 and V2811 remain open to non--motorized use. The remote nature, solitude provided and interesting band of smooth rock offers a unique and important mountain bike experience.
- Also allowing use of V2820 and uninventoried route (previously submitted) following the midlevel of cliff band would make a VERY desirable loop with V2810 and V2811. This loop would require a 60 foot section of difficult trail which is not horse or motorized use friendly. There is mining and homestead remains along the trail that would be of great historic interest.
- Recommend non--motorized use on trail connecting Maverick Canyon and V2626.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V822 (from Blue Creek ranch), V1421, V1107, V1109 and trail connecting to county road above Mesa Creek. This would allow a good loop opportunity using V1007 and V1067 to return to Blue Creek ranch. The entire length of V822 could be added to this area for a shorter loop option.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V1151. Although a dead end, it would provide a great easier beginner/kid ride option especially attractive here due to several popular camping spots in the near vicinity. The water availability for pets and the "all downhill" return would be very attractive for a family ride or a shorter evening ride from camp.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V3062 extending down Maverick Canyon. Although a dead end, it





provides a spectacular view and would be a good mellow family ride due to the lack of elevation change, solitude and quiet use of the trail. With a short hike, a glimpse of Juanita Arch adds to the experience.

- We would really like to see V567 administrative road and then remaining V567 trail into Calamity Canyon open to non--motorized use as depicted in Alternative D. It is an old road down the hill and then follows the drainage to the private property boundary. There is then an uninventoried trail leading up the slope to the east then connecting with road V923 then V922 on a higher bench. This area is perfect to find solitude and ride a single track trail. Zone W

- Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non--motorized use as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only non--motorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to the experience of these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.

- The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.

- Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non--motorized use for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

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Scott Winans	N/A	emc0868
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<b>Commenter</b> Janice Shepherd		<b>Organization</b> The Quiet Trails Group			<b>Submission Code</b> emc0835
<b>Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)</b>					
We would like to see the ATV routes in Alternative B (W80, W126, W190, W191, W197, W127, W122, W178, W179, and W157 connecting all the way west back to the County Road) limited to foot, horse and mechanized travel - this is particularly important for quiet-use recreation in a regional context given that throughout the northern Dolores the dominant use along the mesas is motorized. The October Benches could provide an important opportunity for quiet, trailbased, biking, hiking, and horseback riding.					
<b>Commenter</b> Dale Znamenacek		<b>Organization</b> Grand Mesa Jeep Club			<b>Submission Code</b> emc0728
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>					
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Your historical use/activities (frequency, rock crawling, exploring, testing, photography, camping): This is an area my family likes to explore. Typically, my husband rides an ATV whereas I drive a UTV that is greater than 50" wide. The two machines are well-matched in speed, capabilities, and distances we can travel. I like driving the UTV because I can comfortably and safely carry my child with me. We seek out areas like this that offer plenty of trail distance and scenery to provide a full day's adventure.

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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Soren Jespersen	The Wilderness Society	emc0917

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

October Benches - From a wildlife perspective, the October Benches area supports several important wildlife habitats, including Colton milkvetch near the county road coming off John Brown road, and elk production area and severe winter range. In addition, October Benches is adjacent to black bear fall concentration area and elk production area immediately to the west.

☐ W 49: In addition to the aforementioned wildlife information, in a regional context there are very few opportunities for quiet, mechanized recreation on the mesa tops surrounding Gateway. Given this recreational reality and the aforementioned wildlife concerns we ask that this route be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.

☐ W 80, W 126, W 191, W 190, W 127, W 157: Using the same logic articulated for route W49, alongside the presence of significant cultural resources in the southern portions of the Benches, we ask that these routes be designated as open to 'Foot, Horse and Bike' travel.

Sinbad Valley - Sinbad Valley encompasses an extremely diverse assemblage of natural habitats, with CNHP PCA "very high" biodiversity rankings of B2 for the Sinbad Valley, Salt Creek and Sewemup PCAs. Several of these habitats are especially sensitive to disturbance, including the rare plant habitat based on fragile gypsiferous soils and soil crusts associated with the collapsed salt dome of the valley; and the unusual riparian habitats along Salt Creek. Populations of Gypsum Valley Cateye (*Cryptantha gypsophila*, G2S2) near to W221 have reportedly previously been damaged by off-road vehicle travel. In addition, Sinbad Valley supports the following significant ecological values: Dwarf sand verbena (vicinity of W221); New Mexico privet riparian vegetation community along Salt Creek; Long flower cateye; Mule Deer critical and severe winter range, winter concentration area, and migration route; , and Peregrine Falcon nesting areas. An informational kiosk with some of the above information, as well as historical information and travel restrictions should be located at the mouth of Sinbad Valley just adjacent to Highway 141. This can also be a site with specific relevance to visitors seeking information and guidance regarding a visit to Juanita Arch.

☐ W 213, W 214: Given the aforementioned resources and concerns regarding recreational routes dead-ending into private property, we encourage BLM to 'Close & Rehab' these routes.

## Route

W83

Segment

ALT A

ALT B

ALT C

ALT D

Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073



**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W84****Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W86****Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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**Commenter**

Thomas Hundtroft

**Organization**

Bookcliff Rattlers

**Submission Code**

emc0693

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W

MAP W

LIST OF ALL ROADS FOR HUNTER ACCESS

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W153 W226 W22 W2 W25 W225 W221 W213 W214 W18 W209 W17 W103 W217 W205 W216

**Route****Segment****ALT A****ALT B****ALT C****ALT D****W89****Commenter**

Kris Cox

**Organization**

COPMOBA- Grand Valley Canyons Chapter

**Submission Code**

emc0788





**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

## Zone W

1) Recommend W103 and W217 be left open to at least non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) as it will be the only public access to the small parcel of Forest land. The climb on a mountain bike is very rewarding, the view from the top is magnificent and usually solitude can be found here. Even though it is an out and back, this ride is very rewarding for a seasoned mountain bike user. Allowing only nonmotorized use on W213, W214 and W218 would definitely add to these desired trail options for the mountain bike user.

2) The addition of a new trail from the end of W218 connecting with W213 or W214 would really increase the value of the area for mountain bike use. This would create a different return or approach route for the BIG climb up W103.

3) Recommend leaving routes W49, W78, W112, W89, W127, W190, W194, W195 (even if deemed administrative) open to non-motorized use (including mountain bikes) for the exploration and solitude this area is known for.

**Commenter**

Brandon Siegfried

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

cfc0073

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**Commenter**

Scott Winans

**Organization**

N/A

**Submission Code**

emc0868

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

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**Commenter**

Jason Bertolacci

**Organization**

International Mountain Bicycling Association

**Submission Code**

emc0912

**Comment Recommendation: N (Foot/Horse/Mechanized)**

Mountain bicyclist would greatly benefit by the allowance of future development west of the Gateway Canyon's resort to include trails downstream on the Dolores River paralleling the road, upstream on West Creek to join the Picket Trail and upstream across the Dolores river and up on the near bench. The trail system currently has fewer miles than most areas that are attractive to mountain bike users.

The comments below reflect a need for non--motorized trails that are still open to all quiet uses. There are several large areas designated as off limits to mountain bikes (The Palisade WSA, Sewemup Mesa Wilderness and others) that provide other quiet users (hikers, horseback) with opportunities for experiences without mountain bikes present. Preserving mountain bike access to the remaining backcountry singletrack trails is very important for future generations.

## Zone U

- Recommend U75 and U666 (near Granite Creek) be open to non--motorized use.
- Recommend U27 and U28 (off Hwy 141 near The Narrows) be left open for dispersed camping opportunities due to lack of these opportunities in the area.

## Zone V



- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V2691 and 1939 Pickett trail. Mountain bicyclists have been maintaining and using this trail for at least two decades. Due to the terrain, motorized use is NOT RECOMMENDED as it will require excessive costs and labor to maintain trail to safe standards.
- FOREST SERVICE: Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on Lower Ute/Birch Creek trail (no number on map) due to the encouragement of local Forest Service District for mountain bike use to occur on upper portion of trail that crosses Forest Lands. Maintenance and use by mountain bikes has been occurring on this trail for the last 2 decades. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized travel be allowed on V592. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This trail provides for a "quiet experience" in the midst of a predominantly motorized area.
- Recommend non--motorized use be allowed on V1007 and V1067 the portion of trail following Blue Creek above the ranch to make a loop. V1007 is an amazing mountain bike ride with incredible trees growing out of the canyon and the tops ending right near the trail. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V803 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. This trail would allow non--motorized access to the Divide Road which is connection to ther highly desirable mountain bike opportunities. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged.
- Recommend non--motorized use on the complete length of V930 allowing access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. There is also a need to add existing trail (has been submitted previously) into inventory extending from the end of V930 at Forest Boundary north to allow access to non--motorized trails on Forest Lands. Due to the remote nature and solitude provided by this trail, allowing motorized use is HIGHLY discouraged. This is part of a non--motorized trail that extends from Mesa Creek to Indian Creek allowing a rare quiet experience.
- Formal trail designation for any use is not recommended for trail following Blue Creek from the Blue Creek ranch downstream to the Dolores river due to trail access at private property, damage to cultural resources and high cost of trail maintenance.
- Recommend V2810 and V2811 remain open to non--motorized us. The remote nature, solitude provided and interesting band of smooth rock offers a unique and important mountain bike experience.
- Also allowing use of V2820 and uninventoried route (previously submitted) following the midlevel of cliff band would make a VERY desirable loop with V2810 and V2811. This loop would require a 60 foot section of difficult trail which is not horse or motorized use friendly. There is mining and homestead remains along the trail that would be of great historic interest.
- Recommend non--motorized use on trail connecting Maverick Canyon and V2626.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V822 (from Blue Creek ranch), V1421, V1107, V1109 and trail connecting to county road above Mesa Creek. This would allow a good loop opportunity using V1007 and V1067 to return to Blue Creek ranch. The entire length of V822 could be added to this area for a shorter loop option.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V1151. Although a dead end, it would provide a great easier beginner/kid ride option especially attractive here due to several popular camping spots in the near vicinity. The water availability for pets and the "all downhill" return would be very attractive for a family ride or a shorter evening ride from camp.
- Recommend non--motorized use on V3062 extending down Maverick Canyon. Although a dead end, it provides a spectacular view and would be a good mellow family ride due to the lack of elevation change, solitude and quiet use of the trail. With a short hike, a glimpse of Juanita Arch adds to the experience.
- We would really like to see V567 administrative road and then remaining V567 trail into Calamity Canyon open to non--motorized use as depicted in Alternative D. It is an old road down the hill and then follows the drainage to the private property boundary. There is then an uninventoried trail leading up the slope to the east then connecting with road V923 then V922 on a higher bench. This area is perfect to find solitude and ride a single track trail. Zone W
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Commenter	Organization	Submission Code
Dale Znamenacek	Grand Mesa Jeep Club	emc0728
<b>Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))</b>		
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W90					
Commenter	Organization			Submission Code	
Brandon Siegfried	N/A			cfc0073	
Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))					
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<b>W91</b>					
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Brandon Siegfried	N/A	cfc0073			



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**Commenter**

Thomas Hundtroft

**Organization**

Bookcliff Rattlers

**Submission Code**

emc0693

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

ZONE W

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**Route**

**Segment**

**ALT A**

**ALT B**

**ALT C**

**ALT D**

**W94**

**Commenter**

Thomas Hundtroft

**Organization**

Bookcliff Rattlers

**Submission Code**

emc0693

**Comment Recommendation: O (Open (All modes of travel))**

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